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FINAL CRUISE REPORT

VESSEL: NOAA Ship *McARTHUR*, Cruise Number AR-00-06;

Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC)
Marine Mammal Observation Cruise Number 1616

CRUISE DATES: 28 July - 9 December 2000

PROJECT: The Stenella Population Abundance Research (STAR00) project was a

marine mammal assessment survey conducted in the eastern tropical Pacific ocean (ETP). The survey was carried out with two vessels. The activities of the other vessel, NOAA Ship *DAVID STARR JORDAN*, are

covered in a separate Report.

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ITINERARY: The cruise consisted of five legs with four- to six-day port calls between

each leg. Research was conducted in the international waters of the ETP and in the coastal waters of Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia,

Ecuador, Peru, and France (Clipperton Island).

| 28 JUL | Depart San Diego, CA |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| 28 JUL - 25 AUG | Leg I |
| 25 AUG - 30 AUG | Honolulu, Hawaii |
| 30 AUG - 29 SEP | Leg II |
| 29 SEP - 05 OCT | Puntarenas, Costa Rica |
| 05 OCT - 25 OCT | Leg III |
| 25 OCT - 29 OCT | Callao, Peru |
| 29 OCT - 14 NOV | Leg IV |
| 14 NOV - 18 NOV | Panama City, Panama |
| 18 NOV - 09 DEC | Leg V |
| 09 DEC | Arrive San Diego, C |

OBJECTIVES:

The project was a multidisciplinary survey with the primary objective being to estimate the abundance of dolphins affected by the ETP purse-seine fishery for yellow-fin tuna, *Thunnus albacares*. The survey's design targeted the depleted stocks of spinner dolphins, *Stenella longirostris orientalis* (the eastern stock), and spotted dolphins, *Stenella attenuata* (the northeastern offshore stock). Additional data and samples were collected in order to characterize the physical and biological characteristics of the ecosystem. This year's survey was the third and final year of a three-year (1998-2000) study.

STUDY AREA:

The study area extended from the US/Mexico border, south to the territorial waters of Peru, bounded on the east by the continental shores of the Americas, and to the west by Hawaii (roughly from 30° N to 18° S, from the coastline to 153° W, see Fig. 1). Past studies indicate this region encompasses the entire distribution of the dolphin stocks most affected by the fishery. This area is approximately the same as that covered by the 5-year Monitoring of Porpoise Stocks (MOPS) survey conducted by SWFSC between 1986 and 1990. The study area was divided into three sampling strata which received different levels of survey effort: the core area, the coastal area, and the outer area (Fig.1).

PROCEDURES:

Cetaceans were surveyed using line transect methods. Observers maintained a visual watch during daylight hours (approximately 0600 to 1800) using two 25 X 150 power "bigeye" binoculars mounted on the port and starboard sides of the ship's flying bridge. An auxilliary 25 X 150 binocular was mounted on the flying bridge for periodic use during sightings or making bird counts. Binocular height above the water was 10.4 meters, giving a maximum ship-to-horizon sighting distance of approximately 11.5 km (6.2 nm).

Six mammal observers rotated through three watch positions: port binocular, data recorder, and starboard binocular. Observers shifted positions every 40 minutes. At least one identification specialist with previous experience in the ETP was on watch at all times. The observer at the port binocular surveyed the area between 10° right and 90° left of the trackline. The observer at the starboard binocular surveyed the area between 10° left and 90° right of the trackline. Thus, the area 10° to either side of the trackline was covered by both observers while more lateral regions were covered by one observer or the other. Using unaided eye and 7X binocular, the data recorder searched the entire 180° forward of the ship, with effort focused on the trackline and the area from the ship out to about 400 meters (the "blind" area in the 25X).

The data recorder entered sighting, weather and effort information into a laptop computer on the flying bridge using the software program "WinCruz", developed at SWFSC. The computer was linked to the ship's global positioning system (GPS) to record time and position.

For each marine mammal sighting, bearing (using an azimuth ring on the binocular mount to measure angle) and distance (using a reticle scale inscribed in the eyepiece) were recorded, along with the initial sighting cue. Schools were approached if they were within three nautical miles perpendicular to the trackline. Observers identified cetaceans to species/stock when possible, and made independent estimates of school size. If more than one taxon was present, percent composition for each was estimated, also independently by each observer.

Seabird observations were conducted concurrently with mammal observations using strip transect methods. A single bird observer recorded identity and behavior for all seabirds within 300 m of one fore-quarter of the ship. Mammal observers on the bigeyes detected feeding flocks within 3.7 km (2 nm) on either side of the ship, and the bird observer recorded size and species composition using either the third bigeye binocular or handheld 20X binocular.

Taxonomic identification and position of sea turtles were recorded when they were sighted. Turtles close to the ship's trackline were captured using a small boat. Captured turtles were measured, weighed, and flipper-tagged. Blood or skin samples for genetic and hormonal studies were collected. All turtles were subsequently released unharmed.

Cetacean tissue samples for genetic analysis were obtained on an opportunistic basis using hollow-tipped darts fired from a crossbow. Samples were collected from the bow of the ship or from a small boat.

Photographs of cetaceans were taken from the ship and from a small boat in order to verify stock identity and to document geographic variation. Individually identifiable whales were photographed for population studies.

Two methods of passive acoustic monitoring of cetaceans were employed: sonobuoys and a towed hydrophone array. Sonobuoys were deployed near cetaceans to obtain acoustic recordings that could not be successfully recorded by the array. Sonobouys received in the frequency range of $10~{\rm Hz}-2.5~{\rm kHz}$ (Type 53 sonobuoy) or $10~{\rm Hz}$ to $20~{\rm kHz}$ (Type 57 sonobuoy). The towed array was monitored continuously during daylight hours. Recordings were made of all cetacean detections.

The behavioral responses of 11 stocks of 8 species of dolphins and 11 species of whales were observed relative to the survey vessels. Data collection emphasized dolphin schools and focused on behaviors that would indicate reactions to the vessel. The data included information on (1) group behavior, (2) school size and shape, (3) reactions to the research vessel and (4) an estimate by the observers of whether the overall reaction of the school to the research vessel was evasive, non-evasive, both, or unknown.

Dipnet sampling for flyingfish and other surface organisms was conducted for one hour at night (approximately 2000-2100 local time) concurrently with the evening conductivity-temperature-depth (CTD) station. Additional sampling was conducted for an hour before sunrise on Legs 1 and 2 during the morning CTD. Small fish were captured and kept alive for aquarium research and display.

Micronekton biomass between 0 and 500 m depth was measured using active acoustics with a Simrad EQ50 echo sounder and two hull-mounted transducers. The echo sounder was operated at 38 and 200 kHz, and interfaced to a data acquisition system. The EQ50 was operated continuously, except on alternate days in the core area east of 120W and north of 5N, when the transducer was turned off in order to test whether transmission affected dolphin behavior and sighting rates.

Oceanographic data were collected throughout the survey. Two CTD stations were scheduled every 24 hours: an hour before sunrise and an hour after sunset. A SeaBird CTD with rosette was used for these stations. From each cast, chlorophyll samples (to 200 meters) and salinity samples (500 and 1000 meters or bottom) were collected and processed on board. Nutrient samples (0 - 500 meters) were collected, frozen, and stored for later analysis. Primary productivity was measured by ¹⁴C-uptake. Three expendable bathythermographs (XBT) were dropped daily while underway at 0900, 1200, and 1500 hours local time. Water samples for chlorophyll *a* analysis and bucket temperatures were also collected daily at 0900, 1200, 1500, and 1800 hours.

In the evening, two or three net sampling stations were conducted: a surface manta tow for fifteen minutes following the post-sunset CTD station, a bongo net tow for 45 minutes to 200 meters, and/or a ring net tow to 200 meters following the completion of the manta tow.

RESULTS:

Observers visually surveyed 17,377 kilometers of trackline (Fig. 1). A total of 576 sightings of marine mammals were recorded, 488 of which were on-effort. The following tables summarize the data collected.

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TABLE 4 Sea Turtle Samples
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TABLE 9: Towed Hydrophone Array Recordings

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TABLE 12: Oceanography

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| Leg 1: | | |
| Lisa Ballance | Cruise Leader | SWFSC |
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| Isabel Beasley | Mammal Observer | SWFSC |
| Anne Douglas | Mammal Observer | SWFSC |
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| Ernesto Vázquez | Mammal Observer | SWFSC |
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| Julie Oswald | Visiting Scientist | SIO^1 |
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| Shannon Rankin | Acoustician | SWFSC |
| Michael Force | Birder | SWFSC |
| Chris Hoefer | Birder | SWFSC |
| Doug Kinzey | ID Specialist | SWFSC |
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| Juan Carlos Salinas | Mammal Observer | SWFSC |
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| Leg 5: | | |
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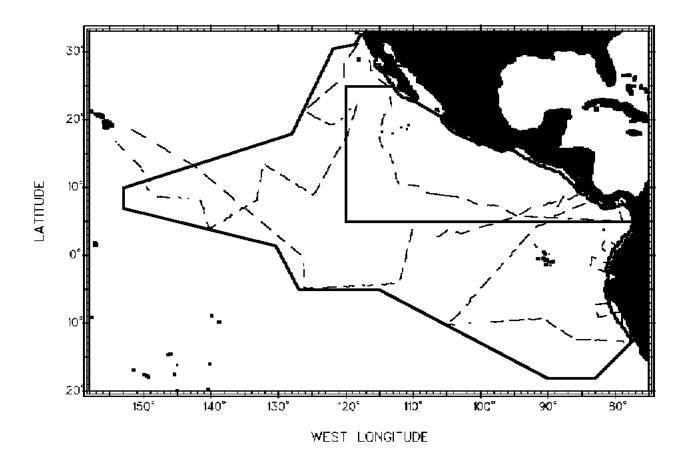


Figure 1 - McArthur tracklines (broken lines) and sampling strata boundaries (solid lines) for the STAR00 survey. The smaller box delineates the core sampling stratum and the surrounding polygon defines the outer sampling stratum. A third, coastal stratum follows the 1,000 m contour. The black portions of the tracklines represent the time spent actively searching for marine mammals.

Table 1 – Identity and number of marine mammal schools sighted during the STAR00 survey from the *McArthur*, listed in decreasing order of the number of schools seen. A total of 576 schools were sighted, of which 70 contained more than one taxa and are recorded more than once in this table.

| Sighting Category | | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| unid. dolphin | | 18 | 27 | 12 | 13 | 31 | 101 |
| Stenella coeruleoalba | | 16 | 20 | 10 | 9 | 29 | 84 |
| Tursiops truncatus | | 17 | 9 | 14 | 8 | 10 | 58 |
| Stenella attenuata (offshore) | | 23 | 9 | 4 | | 11 | 47 |
| Delphinus delphis | | 1 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 8 | 39 |
| Globicephala macrorhynchus | | 11 | 7 | 6 | | 6 | 30 |
| Grampus griseus | | 9 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 29 |
| Stenella longirostris (whitebelly) | | 19 | 1 | 1 | | | 21 |
| Balaenoptera borealis/edeni | | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 17 |
| Balaenoptera edeni | | 4 | 10 | 1 | 2 | | 17 |
| ziphiid whale | | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 15 |
| unid. large whale | | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | | 13 |
| Stenella attenuata graffmani | | | | 2 | 7 | 2 | 11 |
| unid. small whale | | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 11 |
| Globicephala sp. | | | | 8 | 2 | | 10 |
| Stenella longirostris orientalis | | 1 | | | | 9 | 10 |
| unid. sea lion | | 1 | | | | 9 | 10 |
| Ziphius cavirostris | | 1 | 3 | 2 | | 4 | 10 |
| Delphinus capensis | | | | | 8 | 1 | 9 |
| Balaenoptera sp. | | | | | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| Mesoplodon sp. | | 1 | | 1 | 5 | 1 | 8 |
| Physeter macrocephalus | | | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| Steno bredanensis | | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Megaptera novaeangliae | | | | 1 | 5 | 1 | 7 |
| Orcinus orca | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | _ | 7 |
| Stenella attenuata (unid. subsp.) | | _ | _ | _ | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| Stenella longirostris (southwestern) | | 1 | 5 | 1 | Ü | • | 7 |
| unid. whale | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 7 |
| Zalophus californianus | | 6 | _ | - | • | 1 | 7 |
| Kogia sima | | 5 | | | | 1 | 6 |
| Lagenorhynchus obscurus | | J | | | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Pseudorca crassidens | | 1 | 4 | | | | 5 |
| Balaenoptera musculus | | • | • | | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Stenella longirostris (unid. subsp.) | | 1 | | 1 | _ | 1 | 3 |
| Arctocephalus townsendi | | 1 | | • | | 1 | 2 |
| Feresa attenuata | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| unid. cetacean | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| unid. pinniped | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Delphinus sp. | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Kogia sp. | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Mesoplodon pacificus | | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Mirounga angustirostris | | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| mi omigu ungustii Osti ts | + | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | Total | 160 | 122 | 98 | 117 | 154 | 651 |

Table 2 - Number of seabirds sighted aboard the McArthur during STAR00, listed in taxonomic order.

| Common name | Scientific name | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|----------------|---|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| Albatrosses | Diomedeidae | 3 | 1 | 7 | 146 | 0 | 157 |
| Procellariidae | | | | | | | |
| Shearwaters | Puffinus spp. | 2732 | 991 | 121 | 752 | 1198 | 5794 |
| Petrels | Pterodroma spp., Procellaria spp., Bulweria spp., Pseudobulweria spp. | 2220 | 953 | 236 | 144 | 66 | 3619 |
| Diving Petrels | Pelecanoididae | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Storm-petrels | Oceanitidae | 288 | 241 | 947 | 1475 | 502 | 3453 |
| Tropicbirds | Phaethontidae | 20 | 16 | 10 | 18 | 13 | 77 |
| Pelicans | Pelecanidae | 0 | 0 | 0 | 253 | 361 | 614 |
| Boobies | Sulidae | 30 | 198 | 1246 | 6288 | 609 | 8371 |
| Cormorants | Phalacrocoracidae | 0 | 0 | 0 | 390 | 0 | 390 |
| Frigatebirds | Fregatidae | 15 | 24 | 65 | 111 | 52 | 267 |
| Phalaropes | Phalaropodidae | 1 | 21 | 27 | 8490 | 197 | 8736 |
| Jaegers | Stercorariidae | 19 | 47 | 84 | 194 | 48 | 392 |
| Gulls | Larus spp. | 3 | 0 | 163 | 360 | 358 | 884 |
| Terns | Sterna spp., Gygis sp., Chlidonias spp. | 5348 | 6304 | 1021 | 1230 | 679 | 14,582 |
| Noddies | Anous spp. | 4 | 7 | 46 | 140 | 55 | 252 |
| Auks | Alcidae | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 |
| Total | | 10,683 | 8803 | 3973 | 19,995 | 4143 | 47,597 |

Table 3 – Number of sea turtles observed from the *McArthur* during STAR00.

| Species/Taxon | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Caretta caretta | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | 4 |
| Chelonia mydas | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Lepidochelys olivacea | 24 | 4 | 39 | 22 | 26 | 115 |
| unidentified hardshell | 29 | 1 | 11 | 17 | 9 | 67 |
| unidentified turtle | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total | 56 | 6 | 50 | 40 | 37 | 189 |

Table 4 - Sea turtles sampled for blood or skin, and flipper-tagged from the *McArthur* during STAR00. All turtles were olive ridleys (*Lepidochelys olivacea*). No turtles were sampled on Legs 1, 3 or 5.

| | Leg 2 | | | Leg 4 | |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|-------|
| Flipper-tag | Skin | Blood | Flipper-tag | Skin | Blood |
| | | | | | |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |

Table 5 – Dipnet stations and total number of fish collected per leg aboard the McArthur during STAR00.

| | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| no. stations | 31 | 41 | 20 | 15 | 21 | 128 |
| no. fish | 458 | 480 | 339 | 168 | 496 | 1941 |

Table 6 – Number and identity of cetacean skin biopsy samples obtained aboard the McArthur during STAR00, listed in taxonomic order.

| Species/Stock | | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Megaptera novaeangliae | | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 |
| Balaenoptera edeni | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Balaenoptera musculus | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Physeter macrocephalus | | | | | 7 | | 7 |
| Tursiops truncatus | | 3 | | 11 | 5 | 1 | 20 |
| Stenella attenuata (unid. stock) | | 1 | | | 16 | | 17 |
| Stenella attenuata graffmani | | | | 1 | 14 | | 15 |
| Delphinus delphis | | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| Delphinus capensis | | | | | 45 | | 45 |
| Globicephala macrorhynchus | | 6 | | | | | 6 |
| | Total | 10 | 1 | 13 | 93 | 2 | 119 |

Table 7 - Cetacean schools photographed by hand-held 35 mm camera from the *McArthur* during STAR00, listed in taxonomic order.

| Species/Stock | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Megaptera novaeangliae | | | 1 | 5 | 1 | 7 |
| Balaenoptera edeni | 3 | | | | | 3 |
| Balaenoptera edeni/borealis | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| Balaenoptera musculus | | | | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Physeter macrocephalus | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 |
| Indopacetus pacificus | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Tursiops truncatus | 2 | | 1 | | | 3 |
| Stenella attenuata (offshore) | 6 | | 1 | | | 7 |
| Stenella attenuata graffmani | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| Stenella attenuata (unid. subsp.) | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| Stenella longirostris (hybrid) | 4 | | 1 | | | 5 |
| Stenella longirostris (southwestern) | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 |
| Stenella coeruleoalba | 2 | 1 | | | | 3 |
| Delphinus delphis | | 2 | 5 | 5 | | 12 |
| Delphinus capensis | | | | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| Grampus griseus | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Pseudorca crassidens | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Orcinus orca | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 6 |
| Globicephala macrorhynchus | 3 | | | | | 3 |
| Globicephala sp. | | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Total | 25 | 8 | 14 | 25 | 4 | 76 |

Table 8 - Hydrophone arrays used on the *McArthur* during STAR00, with the dates used. The number of elements, the low and high frequency sensitivity, and the overall quality of the arrays are noted.

| Sensitivity | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | l | ow frequency | high frequency | | | | | |
| Array Name | # Elements | (Hz) | (kHz) | Quality | Dates Used | | | |
| Norris array | 5 (4) | 15 | 40 | good | Leg 1: 7/30-8/6, 8/9-8/21, 8/24; | | | |
| | | | | | Leg 2: 8/31-9/3 | | | |
| high frequency array | 3 | 500 | 150 | excellent | Leg 1: 8/7-8/9, 8/22-8/23; Leg 3: | | | |
| | | | | | 10/6-10/19 | | | |
| ITI array | 5 | 10 | 15 | poor | Leg 2: 9/7-9/9 | | | |
| | 5 (4) | 15 | 40 | good | Leg 3: 10/20-10/24; Leg 4: all; | | | |
| SEFSC array | | | | | Leg 5: all | | | |

Table 9 – Number of single species sightings for which acoustic recordings were obtained using a towed hydrophone array on the *McArthur* during STAR00. Non-sighted dolphin schools were listed as unidentified dolphins.

| Species/Stock | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Unidentified dolphin | 61 | 6 | 11 | 17 | 102 | 197 |
| Stenella coeruleoalba | 9 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 18 | 39 |
| Physeter macrocephalus | 5 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 27 |
| Delphinus delphis | 1 | 0 | 7 | 10 | 7 | 25 |
| Tursiops truncatus | 6 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 17 |
| Grampus griseus | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| Stenella attenuata (offshore) | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 7 |
| Globicephala sp. | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Steno bredanensis | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Stenella longirostris orientalis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Globicephala macrorhynchus | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Delphinus capensis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Psuedorca crassidens | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Orcinus orca | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Stenella longirostris (whitebelly) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Stenella attenuata (unid. subsp.) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Stenella longirostris (unid. subsp.) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Delphinus sp. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 96 | 10 | 38 | 53 | 149 | 346 |

Table 10 – Number of cetacean recordings per species using sonobouys on the *McArthur* during STAR00, listed in decreasing order of recordings obtained. A total of 62 sonobouys were launched, of which 35 were functional. Five "Type 57" sonobuoys (from a total of 16) and 30 "Type 53" (from 46 deployed) operated correctly following deployment.

| Species | Recordings |
|--|------------|
| Balaenoptera edeni | 8 |
| Balaenoptera musculus ¹ | 5 |
| Pseudorca crassidens | 2 |
| Megaptera novaeangliae | 1 |
| Tursiops truncatus/ Globicephala macrorhynchus | 1 |
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¹ Animals were not heard on every recording

Table 11 – Behavioral observations of cetacean schools recorded from the *McArthur* during STAR00, listed in decreasing order of number of schools for which observations were recorded.

| Species | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Stenella coeruleoalba | 16 | 20 | 10 | 9 | 29 | 84 |
| unid. dolphin | 13 | 22 | 11 | 6 | 12 | 64 |
| Tursiops truncatus | 16 | 9 | 14 | 8 | 9 | 56 |
| Stenella attenuata (offshore) | 22 | 10 | 4 | | 11 | 47 |
| Delphinus delphis | 1 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 8 | 39 |
| Globicephala macrorhynchus | 11 | 8 | 6 | | 6 | 31 |
| Grampus griseus | 9 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 29 |
| Stenella longirostris (whitebelly) | 18 | 1 | 1 | | | 20 |
| Stenella attenuata graffmani | | | 2 | 7 | 3 | 12 |
| Balaenoptera edeni | 3 | 9 | | | | 12 |
| Stenella longirostris orientalis | 1 | | | | 9 | 10 |
| Globicephala sp. | | | 8 | 2 | | 10 |
| Delphinus capensis | | | | 8 | 1 | 9 |
| Steno bredanensis | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Orcinus orca | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | 8 |
| Stenella longirostris (southwestern) | 1 | 5 | 1 | | | 7 |
| Balaenoptera borealis/edeni | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | 7 |
| Stenella attenuata (unid. subsp.) | | | | 6 | | 6 |
| ziphiid whale | 4 | 2 | | | | 6 |
| Kogia sima | 5 | | | | 1 | 6 |
| unid. small whale | 1 | 3 | 1 | | | 5 |
| Pseudorca crassidens | 1 | 4 | | | | 5 |
| unid. large whale | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 4 |
| Ziphius cavirostris | 1 | 3 | | | | 4 |
| Lagenorhynchus obscurus | | | | 4 | | 4 |
| Stenella longirostris (unid. subsp.) | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | 3 |
| Physeter macrocephalus | | 2 | 1 | | | 3 |
| unid. whale | 2 | 1 | | | | 3 |
| Feresa attenuata | 1 | | | 1 | | 2 |
| Balaenoptera musculus | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Mesoplodon sp. | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Delphinus sp. | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Mesoplodon (Indopacetus) pacificus | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Kogia spp. | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Tota | 1 139 | 112 | 81 | 77 | 100 | 509 |

Table 12 - Summary of oceanographic data collected from the $\mathit{McArthur}$ during STAR00.

| Type of sample | Leg 1 | Leg 2 | Leg 3 | Leg 4 | Leg 5 | Total |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| CTD casts | 48 | 49 | 39 | 29 | 39 | 204 |
| CTD chlorophyll samples | 475 | 490 | 379 | 281 | 392 | 2017 |
| Surface chlorophyll samples | 98 | 117 | 71 | 52 | 60 | 398 |
| Primary productivity samples | 160 | 161 | 126 | 91 | 133 | 671 |
| Nutrient samples | 524 | 539 | 417 | 305 | 430 | 2215 |
| Salinity samples | 134 | 142 | 115 | 82 | 127 | 600 |
| XBT drops | 81 | 91 | 57 | 41 | 60 | 330 |
| Manta Tows | 24 | 25 | 20 | 15 | 18 | 102 |
| Bongo Tows | 24 | 26 | 20 | 15 | 17 | 102 |
| Ring net tows | 9 | 15 | 8 | 9 | 18 | 59 |